

Defendant Appeals Road Term

One of two defendants drawing road terms in the Friday session of Warren County Recorder's Court appealed a 60-day sentence imposed by Judge Julius Banzet.

George Suitt, who entered a plea of guilty to a charge of non-support, appealed his case to Superior Court after hearing sentence. His appearance bond was set at \$100.

The other defendant who drew an active sentence Friday was Lawrence Moss, who pled guilty to a charge of assault. Moss was also given a 60-day sentence.

Other cases disposed of during Friday's session included: Claude Jones, non-support, six-month sentence suspended five years upon condition he pay into the office of the Superintendent of Public Welfare each Friday the sum of \$25 for support of his wife and two minor children until further orders of the court.

William Bailey Overby, found guilty of drunk driving, was fined \$100 and taxed with court costs.

James Leonard Pierce, charged with allowing an unlicensed person to operate a motor vehicle and with allowing a person under the influence of alcohol to operate a motor vehicle failed to appear in court. The court declared his bond forfeited, and his bondsman, A. O. Kearney, had to pay \$250 as forfeited bail in the case.

Hoover Webb was fined \$100 and ordered to pay court costs when he was found guilty of a drunk driving charge.

Cases against William Meadows, charged with assault, and Mary Davis, charged with assault inflicting serious bodily injury, were not pressed with leave.

William Reuben Perry, charged with drunk driving and with operating a car with an improper muffler, was found guilty. The court ordered the defendant to pay court costs and a \$100 fine.

Clementine Robinson, charged with assault, was found not guilty.

Minnie West Newell was fined \$100 and ordered to pay court costs when she was found guilty of drunk driving.

Thomas Robinson, charged with non-support, was found not guilty.

Speeding cases included: Johnnie David Robbins, costs; George Elbert Lamb, costs; Jimmy Thomas Graham, \$10 and costs; Thompson Russell Poston, \$10.00 and costs; Jack Tedford Satterwhite, costs; Wilson Lynch, costs.

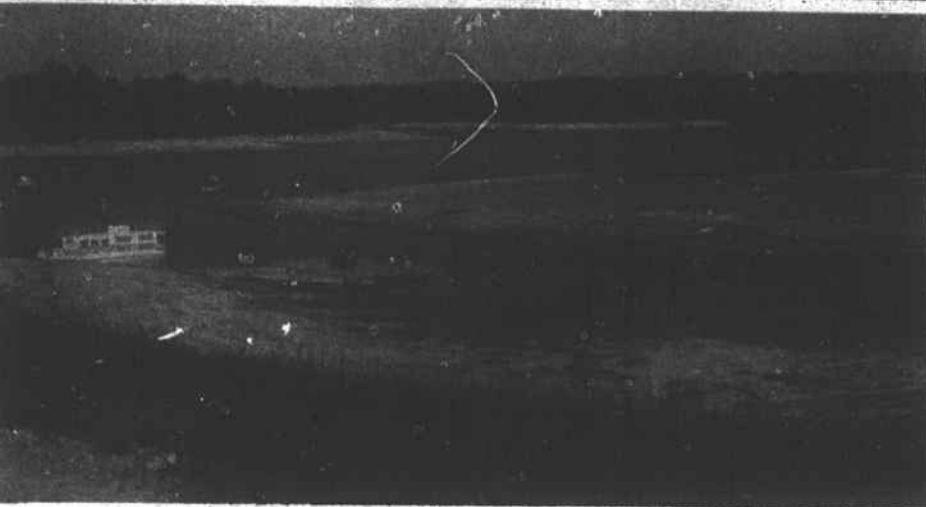
Mrs. Halthcock Is Representing 15th District HD Clubs

Mrs. C. M. Halthcock, member of the Church Hill Home Demonstration Club, and chairman of the 15th district Home Demonstration Clubs, is representing the district at the National Home Demonstration Council Meeting in Little Rock, Arkansas, this week. She is one of 35 North Carolina home demonstration club women attending the meeting.

The 15th district is composed of clubs in Franklin, Granville, Vance and Warren counties.

The North Carolina delegation traveled to Little Rock by chartered bus, leaving Friday, Sept. 18, and will return Sunday, Oct. 27. The meeting in Little Rock opened Sunday, Oct. 20, with a reception at the Marion Hotel.

Outstanding speakers appearing on the program during the week were John Tyler Caldwell, Chancellor N. C. State, UNC, Raleigh; Dale Cowling, pastor Second Baptist Church, Little Rock, Arkansas; Arkansas Senator J. William Fulbright; and Dr. Margaret C. Browne, Federal Extension Service. The meeting closed Oct. 24 with a chicken dinner featuring Arkansas Night.



Lack of rainfall in recent weeks has caused waters of Kerr Lake to drop to the lowest level in seven years. Water level at the huge lake, which covers the northwestern tip of Warren County, was reported at 284.5 feet during the past weekend. Lowest point recorded in the lake's ten-year history was 280.5 feet in 1956. At Satterwhite Point in Vance County, shown above, boats have been removed to await rising waters. During the drought work is in progress to uproot and burn hundreds of stumps found below the normal water line. (Staff Photo)

Physical Plant Major Accreditation Hurdle

Warren school officials must clear a major hurdle at the county's largest high school during their two-year race to retain accreditation of five county high schools.

At John R. Hawkins High School, where almost 700 Negro high school students are enrolled, pupils still study beside pot-bellied stoves. Hundreds of students attend class in a two-story brick structure which would not meet minimum building code requirements when accreditation standards are placed in effect two years from now.

This brick building could well be the largest obstacle blocking the path toward continued accreditation. Certainly, local educators say, it will be the most expensive obstacle to remove.

The main high school building, with its uneven heating and lack of library space, and an outdated vocational building do not lend encouragement to school officials who must meet the new accreditation standards prepared by the State Department of Public Instruction.

But on the brighter side, school officials see a new trades shop, an adequate gymnasium and a comparatively modern elementary school lessening their problem of removing deficiencies at Hawkins. Although students who overflow the elementary school are currently housed in mobile classrooms, schoolmen will probably focus mainly on the high school buildings during the next two years.

However, not all deficiencies at Hawkins are physical shortcomings, as Assistant Supt. J. Comer Griffin learned during a visit to Hawkins.

Griffin began last month to study school deficiencies throughout Warren County in an effort to determine how much work and money would be needed to update Warren's schools.

Among the new standards causing the most concern at Hawkins are:

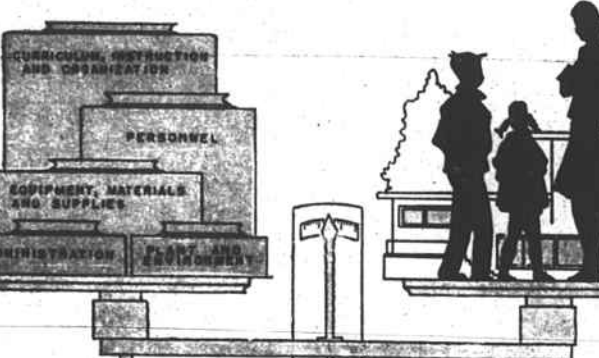
—The school organization provides for a teaching load of no more than one hundred-fifty pupil periods per teacher per day in academic courses and a pupil-teacher ratio of not more than 28 to 1.

At Hawkins there are five teachers with more than 150 pupil periods per day; however, there are none above 153. The pupil-teacher ratio is 33 to 1.

Class groups not in excess of thirty-five pupils in academic courses.

There are 9 classes with more than 35 pupils in membership at Hawkins, six of which are vocational classes.

Second In A Series: John R. Hawkins



books for all subjects. The suggested average of 6 per pupil would require an additional 4,128 supplementary books.

—The collection is varied to permit selectivity in reading and interest levels in accordance with the differing abilities and needs of individual pupils.

—The collection is not sufficiently varied in interest and ability levels to adequately provide for individual differences.

—The central library has a balanced collection, averaging as a minimum, eight volumes per pupil and including a basic collection of 3,000 titles properly catalogued and shelved.

Hawkins does not have the basic collection of 3,000 volumes. There are 1799 books in the library. To meet the recommendation of 8 books per student, an additional 3,805 books would be needed.

The central library has a basic collection of recordings, films, filmstrips and slides, all properly catalogued.

The Hawkins collection is inadequate in scope and content; however, the school is served from the county film library.

—The central library subscribes to magazines for pupil and professional staff use—thirty magazines, suitable for the high school grades, where the enrollment is over 500.

Hawkins has 17 magazine subscriptions for pupil use.

—The central library has a basic collection of up-to-date (See SCHOOLS, page 4)



Students in Mrs. Milton Mann's fifth grade took on a new look for a few minutes Thursday when they presented a program at John Graham High School to commemorate United Nations Day. Pupils donned costumes

Local Man Given Sum For Timber

A Warrenton man was awarded double indemnity in Warren County Superior Court this week in a suit concerned with the unauthorized cutting and removal of timber from his land.

A jury said that W. F. Alston was entitled to recover the sum of \$463.35 in damages from Archie W. Rozier and Eugene S. Teiser, trading as Home Building Supply Co., a partnership. They were charged with the unauthorized cutting and removal of timber from lands of Alston. Under the law, in a timber cutting case, the plaintiff is entitled to recover double the amount of damages awarded. Alston will recover the sum of \$926.70.

The civil term of Superior Court opened on Monday morning with Judge Hamilton Hobgood of Louisburg presiding. Principal interest in the term centered on the Tucker Will Case, which is still being tried. Other cases disposed of at the term include:

Four absolute divorces were granted on the grounds of two years separation. Receiving divorces were Eleanor Rodwell Hendricks from Matthew Hendricks; John A. Holladay from Ruth Alexander Holladay; Elizabeth K. Hayes from Edward Hayes; and Gracie King Gooch from Arthur Willis Gooch.

In the case of Dr. S. H. Massey vs. Robert Champion and wife, Etta Champion, the court ruled that the Magistrate's judgment in the amount of \$90.25 become final.

The case of Barbara V. Colledge vs. W. L. Long was continued.

A motion for non-suit was allowed in the case of Benjamin F. Henderson vs. Claude Coleman Bolton and J. Earlie Johnson, trading as Johnson Auto Sales & Service.

The cases of Charles Adler vs. Haywood Montague et als., and Harry Lawrence vs. Haywood Montague, Neomi Johnson et als., were continued.

Warrenton Merchant Is Slightly Injured

A Warrenton merchant escaped serious injury early last Friday morning when his car ran out of control on a rural paved road and overturned 10 miles south of here.

Alvin Delbridge Mustian, 26, manager of a local clothing firm, sustained a laceration of the head and other minor injuries in the 12:45 a. m. accident. He was taken to Warren General Hospital for treatment and released the same day.

Hospitalized as a result of the wreck was Henry Powell, 18-year-old Negro of Rt. 3, Warrenton. Powell received head injuries in the wreck.

Troop W. E. Brown said Mustian's vehicle travelled more than 600 feet down the right shoulder of the road before crossing the highway and jumping a ditch. He said the car overturned "at least once" before coming to rest some 168 feet from the ditch.

Brown charged Mustian with reckless driving.

Tucker Will Case Enters Second Day



MISS SYLVIA DAVIS

Warrenton Girl Crowned VES Homecoming Queen

Miss Sylvia Davis, senior at John Graham High School, was crowned Homecoming Queen at Virginia Episcopal School, Lynchburg, Va., on Saturday, Oct. 19. Among the weekend festivities was a buffet lawn dinner prior to the homecoming game with Norfolk Academy, which VES won 23-0.

Miss Davis was crowned during intermission at a semi-formal dinner dance on Saturday night. She was escorted by George Harvin of Henderson. On this same occasion Archibald Hicks of Oxford was awarded a trophy for being the most outstanding player in the homecoming game.

Miss Davis accompanied Mr. and Mrs. L. H. Harvin of Henderson and Miss Jean Dore of Henderson, guest of Archibald Hicks, to homecoming weekend at VES. She is the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Robert M. Davis.

John Graham Pupils Will Collect Funds

John Graham High School's fourth, fifth and sixth grades will collect funds for the UNICEF on Halloween night, instead of participating in the usual trick or treat activities.

UNICEF is sponsored by the United Nations with funds raised being used to provide food and medicine for underprivileged children all over the world. The public is asked to contribute.



representative of member countries of the United Nations. Organization of the UN and work of United Nations agencies were outlined during the program. (Staff Photo)

Case Could Continue Next Week

A large number of witnesses were being called to testify Thursday as the Mattie Tucker Will Case entered its second day of hearing. Court officials say the trial could continue until next week.

A jury is to decide whether the will of 81-year old Mrs. Mattie L. Tucker, was written under "duress and improper influence."

The case in which five cousins of Mrs. Tucker are seeking to have the court set aside the provisions of the contested will was docketed for trial Wednesday. All of Wednesday morning was taken up with the selection of a jury, and on Wednesday afternoon, the first witnesses for the defense testified.

Selected as jurors for the case were Edward R. Munn, H. J. Edmonds, Reuben Palmer, O. L. Hayes, Sr., Mrs. Carrie H. Davis, A. E. Perkins, Orange Epps and Guy Overby.

Mrs. Tucker's cousins, none residents of Warren County, filed a protest on March 28, 1963, contending that the Tucker estate, of considerable value, was bequeathed two Warren County women by reason of Mrs. Tucker's "old age, disease, and both mental and physical weakness and infirmity." Mrs. Tucker's will was signed on February 18, 1963, two weeks before her death.

In her will Mrs. Tucker said, "After the payment of my just debts, funeral expenses, costs of administration and inheritance tax, I give, devise and bequeath one-half (1/2) of my net estate, real and personal, to my friend, Mrs. Sadie Bolton Thompson, and the other one-half (1/2) to her daughter, Grace Thompson Young."

The will, naming Julius Banzet as executor, was witnessed by Sheriff Jim H. Hundley, County Auditor A. P. Rodwell, Jr., and Mrs. Roberta W. King, an employee in the auditor's office.

Contesting the will are John Morris Tucker of Durham, Mary Scott Craver of Yadkin County, and John Pryor Tucker, Betty Jean Tucker Morris, and Barbara Tucker Knight, all of Norfolk, Va. They are being represented by John Kerr, Warrenton attorney, and W. W. Taylor, Jr., of the firm of Maupin, Taylor, and Ellis of Raleigh.

Mrs. Thompson and Mrs. Bolton are being represented by the law firm of Banzet & Banzet of Warrenton, and Howard Manning of Raleigh.

Quiet Day Service Planned Monday

A Quiet Day Service will be held by the Woman's Society of Christian Service of Wesley Memorial Methodist Church next Monday, Oct. 28, as a part of the Week of Prayer and Self Denial being held Oct. 25-31.

The service will be led by Mrs. J. E. Sponsburg of Aberdeen, Spiritual Life Secretary of the N. C. Conference of the Woman's Society of Christian Service, will begin at 10:30 a. m. and will end by 1:30 p. m.

Each one attending is asked to bring a sandwich. The church will furnish the coffee.

Services At Edgeway An Evening Prayer service will be held at the Church of the Good Shepherd, Edgeway, on Sunday afternoon at 6 o'clock with the Rev. James M. Stoney, pastor, in charge.